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Vietnamese. All residents of areas controlled by the Democratic Republic of Vietnam (DRV) are required to carry the following identification certificates:

- a. Citizenship card.
- Conscription identification card.
- 2. Merchants. In addition to the above certificates, Vietnamese merchants are also required to possess:
 - Commercial license.
 - Circulation permit issued by the interzone authorities.
- 3. Foreigners.
 - In addition to the parers required of Vietnamese citizens, Chinese residents of DRV zones must carry a Chinese citizenship card issued by their Congregation Chief, Employees of the DRV Bureau of Chinese Affairs carry certificates issued by the Bureau; however, in order to travel they must obtain circulation cards from the DRV Security Services.
 - Occidentals are permitted to move about only if accompanied by a Vietnamese.
 - Almost all of the Japanese in the DRV zones have obtained Vietnemese citizenship and therefore are not subject to the restrictions placed on foreigners.

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TRAVEL INSIDE VIETNAM

- 4. <u>Vietnamese Civilians</u>. The following documents are required of Vietnamese traveling within the DRV areas:
 - a. Travel within a circonscription or village requires a certificate issued by the Administrative and Resistance Committee of the village or immediately surrounding area.
 - b. Travel within a province requires a card issued by the Circonscription Security Services (Cong An Ruyen).
 - c. Travel within an interzone requires a card issued by the Provincial Security Services (Cong An Tinh).
 - d. Travel between zones requires a card issued by the Interzone Security Services (Cong An Tinh).

These cards do not bear photographs of the bearer; physical peculiarities are listed under "remarks".

5. Military Personnel. The sole requirements for travel by military personnel are an Attestation and a Mission Order. The Attestation is valid for six months to one year, while the Mission Order is given only for a change in assignment and is valid for one to two months.

TRAVEL ABROAD

- 6. Vietnamuse. Travel outside of Vietnam is strictly controlled and limited almost entirely to DRV Government employees. Vietnamese going to China are almost always members of the Committee for Trade with China, who need only a Mission Order signed by their headquarters to cross the border. Since civilian commercial travel is virtually non-existent the following list of papers required by Vietnamese for travel to China is actually theoretical:
 - a. Citizenship card
 - b. Conscription identification card
 - c. Certificate of good behaviour
 - d. Passport issued by the Border Security
 - e. Clearance from both the DRV and Chinese Communist Security Services
 - f. Voucher from a resident of China.
- 7. Chirese. Chinese who wish to return to China must have the following documentation:
 - a. The paners required of foreigners living in DRV zones
 - b. A voucher from a resident of China
 - c. A Border Security clearance.

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